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## Proofs And 3p Imperfs In Yuile Canada Sale Stir Keenest Bidding

A rare Canada booklet pane—the 2c carmine of 1898-1902, mint, cataloguing \$85—sold for \$112, which is believed to be a record, at the dispersal of the J. Watson Yuile Canada collection March 6-7 by H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 E. 57th St., New York City.

The entire sale realized \$11,850. Several proofs brought high price, and the outstanding copies of the three-pence imperf. commanded two and three times catalogue.

A bid of \$160 took the ex-Jarrett combination cover which is illustrated in Jarrett's handbook, page 13. This cover has a Canada #1 and U.S. #33 and traveled from Boston to Toronto in 1852, collecting interesting postal markings.

A superb used corner margin copy of the 1851 3p vermilion (catalogue \$17.50) went for \$38, and a very fine used pair (catalogue \$35) for \$55. A proof of this stamp brought \$13. Of the same issue, three used copies of the 6p in various shades (cataloguing \$35) sold for \$50, \$46, and \$45.

A "Specimen" proof of the 12p black was bid to \$52, and a die proof of the same stamp vermillion, from the unfinished die, brought \$76. A chocolate die proof from the same unfinished die, together with the 10c 1859, printed on the same piece of bond paper, realized \$115.

Among later printings of the 3p imperf., a piece with six of the 1852 red browns, (vertical strip of three, vertical pair and a single) made \$82 (catalogued \$36 as singles). A used corner margin copy of the 1854 Indian red 3p, showing re-entry, brought \$44. One on cover (without the re-entry), showing a clear Melbourne, L.C., town postmark, sold for \$86. In the 1857 red brown printing, a strip of three 3p, tied to piece, brought \$65, and the same stamp

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# LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS

SIDNEY, OHIO, MARCH 22, 1945

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### Ernie Kehr Is Star Gazing



Motion Picture star is regular contributor to Stamps for the Wounded. Clare Trevor, prominent RKO star, is but one of scores of screen celebrities who has been donating all of her world-wide fan mail stamps to Philately's volunteer service committee. Shown here, in the studio's mail room, Miss Trevor is handing an assortment of airmail covers to Ernest A. Kehr, National Chairman of SFTW, as J. B. McCormick, RKO advertising Director, looks on. Through Mr. McCormick's effort, RKO studios in New York and Hollywood have been donating about 50 pounds of stamps a week to hospitalized servicemen.

on cover with red "City of Ottawa Paid" postmark fetched \$48.

Used copies of the 1856 6p realized \$47 and \$41 (Catalogue \$35). A very fine mint 10p blue of 1855 on thin wove, made \$250, and the same stamp issued on thick opaque paper and with scratch or cracked plate, bought \$58.

Of the 1857 issue, die proofs of the 1/2p went for \$56 and \$34, and a rare unfinished die proof of the 7½p for \$140. A used 6p dull violet was knocked down at \$95.

Copies of the 26 printings of the 10c 1859 sold for \$110, and mint blocks of eight of the 10c red violet (#17) and the 12½c blue green realized \$200 and \$150. Used blocks of four and of six of the 17c (#19) fetched \$62 and \$75. A rare used block of five of the 17c slate blue (#19a) sold for \$125, and a 17c bright blue proof, block of four, made \$48.

A superb used copy of the rare 1868 laid paper 1c, deep shade, brought \$95. Two used copies, with re-entries, of the 6c red brown, 187090 small "Cents" issue, made \$50. Mint blocks of six of the 8c blue registration stamp fetched \$108 (catalogue \$72 as singles).

### MORE MISPLACED BUROS

Tom Beddoes of Rockford, Ill., sends a copy of the 8c Pres. of Albany, N. Y. with the overprint showing only "Albany" with line above, at bottom of stamp and an 11c of the 1922 issue with Boston, Mass. at top, with top line off the stamp, the missing line at top is at bottom of the stamp. We understand such things turn up every now and then.

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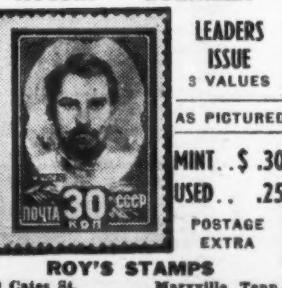
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|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
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### ITALIAN MINT COMPLETE SETS

|         |                         |        |
|---------|-------------------------|--------|
| 178-83  | Saint Francis of Assisi | \$ .28 |
| 248-56  | Virgil Commemoratives   | 1.20   |
| 290-305 | C40-41, E16-17 Fascist  | 4.00   |
| 342-28  | Soccer Commemoratives   | .80    |
| C12-19  | Symbols of Flight       | 1.65   |
| C42-47  | Zeppelin                | 3.20   |
| C52-65  | Soccer Commemoratives   | 1.30   |

### RUSSIA — GUERRILLA LEADERS ISSUE 3 VALUES AS PICTURED



ROY'S STAMPS  
229 Gates St.  
Maryville, Tenn.

### Sen. James C. O'Mahoney, Former First Assistant Postmaster General Urges Stamp For Gallant Marines

Here in America, most stamp collectors sit in a sort of stupor when they view the dozens of beautiful and superb sets of stamps that come out of Russia almost with every big event of the war as concerns the Red Army, also we are amazed at that recent German set which pictures in a series of thirteen stamps, the mighty equipment of the former German Armies, we view the pictorial issues of Italy and other warring nations and wonder if our sole efforts over here are directed toward supplying paper for these issues. Oh, for a Jim Farley to breach the present situation. Such few war stamps as we have had, have been grudgingly issued, have been made to replace our permanent issue for a long period of time. None of them have recognized or given credit in a fitting manner to the many splendid branches of our great Armies, our Navy, our Air Corps or the many other branches of the service.

Plate Numbers Unit Is Organized In A.P.S.

Collectors of plate numbers who are members of the American Philatelic Society have organized a Unit within the Society as has become the custom with followers of so many other particular fields of collecting.

Already there are somewhere close to fifty, who have joined up with this Unit, each of course being a member of the A. P. S.

This is a nice effort in so far as it goes, but it will lack strength and fail in arousing an interest in thousands who might be induced to join were it independent of the Society.

Units of this nature if operated outside the Society could operate at a very low cost and thus induce hundreds to join will not pay the cost of membership in the A. P. S. for the sole purpose of joining up with such a Unit.

Our own experience in the past month, whereby we illustrated a plate number of one of the earlier electric eye printings of the 2c Presidential stamp brought such a flood of letters, many of them very seriously discussing the stamp and many showing an evident interest in plate numbers, that we feel certain that if there were a group that could gather together all of these various enthusiasts that much could be accomplished in interesting more people in plate numbers.

Then again, a Unit of this nature operating through the A. P. S. has a restricted field, limited to the circulation of the A. P. S. Journal. With a field of over 17,000 as represented in a paper such as this weekly, much more could be accomplished. We invite serious plate number collectors to cooperate with us by supplying suitable articles for publication. Such cooperation should help your Unit and be of immense benefit. Those wishing further information on the A. P. S. Unit should address C. L. McCallister, 834 S. York St., Denver, Colo.

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CHAS. B. CHARMATZ  
P. O. Box 228  
Royal Oak (2), Mich.

we sit in a stupor and see such sets from countries which are supposed to be devastated of almost everything, except new postage stamps.

Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, a former First Assistant Postmaster General now makes a plea to our present Postmaster General for a fitting stamp or series of stamps for our armed forces. The whole story is best

(Continued on page 11)

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U. S. Occupation of Italy  
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- List Corrections**
- 465 Robert Price. Inactive for balance of school year.  
588 Cpl. J. Barwicki. Change class to B-N-P-W Requests correspondents use commems  
680 Clarence W Stewart. Change class to B-L-N-V-W

**Michigan Stamp Club  
Exhibition And Bourse**

The Michigan Stamp Club will hold their 31st annual exhibition and bourse April 7 and 8 in the English Room of the Book-Cadillac Hotel.

Horace F. Hartwell, bourse chairman, states that the tables have all been spoken for and Walter Guibord, chairman of the exhibition committee, has an unusually large list of exhibitors already lined up; entries may still be sent to Guibord at Room 3600 Book Building.

Five fine cups will be up for competition as well as the Research award of the S. P. A. Don Heath announces this event for the best research job by a novice in the show.

The Windsor Stamp Collectors Club and the Ford Stamp Club of Canada will add an international angle and will have a large number of their members in attendance and with exhibits. The Canadian delegation will be headed by Earl Enright and Edward Burley, presidents of the two Windsor clubs.

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**U. S. Cancellation Club Bulletin**

On November 19, 1938, a club consisting of those interested in the field of 19th Century U. S. Cancellations was formed. Since that time "much water has passed under the bridge," so to speak, and there is now a movement afoot for the advancement of 20th Century collectors are now invited to join the group.

Those interested in either 19th or 20th Century Cancellation collecting are advised to contact any of the newly elected officers for the year 1945, whose names follow:

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The main purpose of the U. S. C. is to maintain sales circuits which contain many of the hard to find items such as the circuit which passed through my hands just a short while back.

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|                                | Sngls. | Blox |
|--------------------------------|--------|------|
| 754 Mother's Day, imperf.      | .08    | .32  |
| Long line blox .38; Short line | .34    |      |
| 755 Wisconsin, imperf.         | .08    | .32  |
| Plate block of six             | .60    |      |
| Long line blox .38; Short line | .34    |      |
| Centerline & 4 arrow blox      | .35    |      |

|                           | Sngls. | Blox |
|---------------------------|--------|------|
| 756 1½c imperf.           | .13    | .50  |
| 627 2c Sesqui             | .13    | .70  |
| 634 2c Washington         | .03    | .11  |
| 645 Valley Forge          | .07    | .30  |
| 646 Molly Pitcher         | .07    | .28  |
| 651 Clark                 | .06    | .30  |
| 654 Edison (Flat)         | .06    | .25  |
| 660 Wayne                 | .10    | .39  |
| 661 Ohio Canal            | .05    | .20  |
| 662 Massachusetts         | .05    | .22  |
| 663 Charleston            | .12    | .48  |
| 669 Von Steuben           | .06    | .22  |
| 690 Pulaski               | .05    | .18  |
| 702 Red Cross             | .04    | .15  |
| Arrow block of four       | .18    |      |
| Plate block of four       | .22    |      |
| 703 Yorktown              | .06    | .22  |
| Centerline block four     | .35    |      |
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|                           | Sngls. | Blox |
|---------------------------|--------|------|
| 756 2c Lake Placid        | .03    | .15  |
| 717 2c Arbor Day          | .04    | .15  |
| 718 3c Olympics           | .09    | .36  |
| 719 5c Olympics           | .09    | .36  |
| 722 3c Wash. vert. coil   | .05    | .09  |
| 724 2c Webster            | .05    | .10  |
| 726 2c Oglethorpe         | .05    | .20  |
| 727 Newburgh              | .05    | .26  |
| 728 1c Centy. of Progress | .02    | .07  |
| Plate block of 4          | .13    |      |
| 729 3c Centy. of Progress | .05    | .20  |
| Plate block of 4          | .23    |      |
| 730 1c C. of P. imperf.   | .03    | .12  |
| Compl. pane 25, \$.75     | .23    |      |
| 731 3c C. of P. imperf.   | .05    | .20  |
| Compl. pane 25, \$1.10    | .23    |      |
| 732 N. R. A.              | .06    | .20  |
| Plate block of four       | .24    |      |
| 734 5c Kosciusko          | .10    | .40  |
| 735 2c Byrd imperf.       | .10    | .40  |
| Compl. pane 6, \$.55      | .23    |      |
| 737 Mother's Day (Rotary) | .05    | .18  |
| 738 Mother's Day (Flat)   | .05    | .18  |
| Plate block of 6          | .32    |      |
| 739 Wisconsin             | .05    | .19  |
| 740 1c Parks, perf.       | .02    | .08  |
| 741 2c Parks, perf.       | .03    | .11  |
| 742 3c Parks, perf.       | .05    | .18  |
| 743 4c Parks, perf.       | .06    | .24  |

746-49 Parks, perf. 1c to 10c compl.  
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|                                      | Sngls.    | Blox         |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 751 That Hard-To-Get 16c IMPERF.     | Single 4c | Block \$1.70 |
| Plate block of six                   |           | \$3.65       |
| Long line block \$1.90; Short \$1.80 |           |              |

785-94 Army-Navy 10 var. complete  
Singles 44c Blocks \$1.75  
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795 Ordnance .04 .16  
796 Virginia Dare .07 .30  
797 SPA Pane (Used .07) .12 —

798 Colonial Press .04 .16  
Plate block of four .20

858 Statehood .04 .16  
Plate block of four .20

859 2c Sesqui .04 .17  
Plate block of four .20

860 3c Herbert .09 .35  
Plate block of four .20

862 5c McDowell .09 .35  
Plate block of four .20

864 1c Stuart .03 .11  
Plate block of four .20

865 2c Whistler .04 .16  
Plate block of four .20

**AIR MAIL COVERS**MANUEL S. GOLDSICKER, JR. (Dept. Ed.)  
68 ML Prospect Avenue Newark 4, N. J.

In my column of March 1st, I mentioned the Westchester County (New York) Airport Dedication on February 13th, and stated that the only covers I had seen were those mailed from Purchase with the Postmaster's autograph. Since that time, through the kindness of Mr. G. F. Lancaster, J. V. Murray, and M. S. Petty; I have seen additional covers which I would like to report on.

Covers are in existence with a three-line rubber stamp marking reading: NORTH AMER. AIRPORT CORP. DEDICATES WESTCHESTER COUNTY AIRPORT FEB. 13, 1945 from what I understand, this cachet was applied and sponsored by private collectors and it is not an official cachet of the event. I have seen covers with this cachet from White Plains (10-AM); Valhalla (5-PM); Rye (9-AM); Port Chester (11-AM); and Harrison (11-AM). The times in parenthesis are the times the covers were postmarked. I have also seen a few covers from

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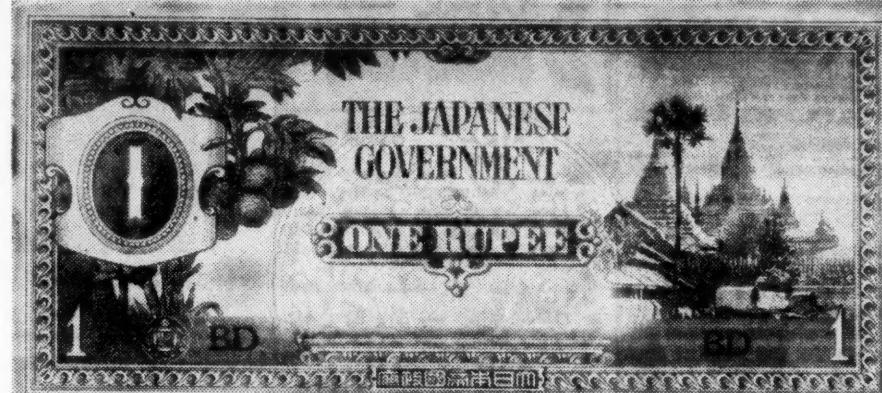
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**Jap Invasion Money For India**

Mr. Edwin P. Hart of Flushing, N. Y. sends a piece of the Japanese Invasion Money as used in the India-Burma sector by the invading Japanese. This is similar in every way to that used in the Philippines and which we illustrated recently.

White Plains (4-PM) with the Airport Manager's autograph on it.

If any collectors have any other markings, cachets, postmarks, etc., on their covers, will they please write me and let me know about it as soon as possible. I understand that covers also exist from Armonk. If any readers of this column have any, will they please send it to me (for checking purposes) immediately. Unless I (or some member of the AAMS Airport Dedication Committee) see any covers from Armonk, they will not be listed. Likewise, if you have any varieties or cachets other than the above, and one of us doesn't see them, then they too will not be considered for catalogue listing.

Effective Saturday, February 10th, nonstop airmail service was inaugurated between Detroit, Mich., and Chicago, Ill., on AM-32 by PCA "Capital" Airlines. Detroit and Chicago were both previously served by AM-32, but due to a restricting in the PCA operating certificate, all flights between these points were routed via a circuitous routing through Grand Rapids. This new nonstop service is almost fifty miles shorter.

There was little advanced notice on this flight, and as a result; covers are very scarce. On the westbound flight from Detroit to Chicago, there were 15 covers postmarked by the Detroit Post Office and 22 by the Detroit AMF Postoffice. On the return eastbound flight, there were 27 covers postmarked at the Chicago Post office and 25 postmarked at the Chicago AMF.

Covers from Detroit were postmarked 4:00 AM at the postoffice or 7:00 AM at the AMF; and the General Delivery backstamp at Chicago was either 12-M or 7-PM. Returning, covers were postmarked at Chicago postoffice at 6-30 AM or 7-AM, or at the AMF 8-AM. These covers are back-stamped Detroit General Delivery February 12th, since the plane was unable to land at Detroit (account weather conditions) and had to continue on to Cleveland.

Stanley G. Adams was the Pilot and H. A. Drosendahl the Co-Pilot in both directions. There were no cachets or other philatelic markings applied to the covers.

Thanks to R. E. Pollard, Regional Superintendent of Airmail Service at Chicago, for the above information.

**ENGEL'S CATALOG OF FLAG STAMP VARIETIES**

John H. Engel of Liberty Circle, 127 Nassau Street, New York has issued another edition of his catalogue of Flag Stamp Varieties. This is the third edition and is enlarged and contains much not found in previous editions. The booklet is now of 60 pages and fully illustrated with the many minute varieties which are listed.

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## A MOST DISTRESSING INCIDENT

I am inclined this week to say a few words on a subject that could well occupy a page or more to thoroughly discuss it, so what I say must be brief and I hope to the point. It concerns a small collection of stamps, the possession of an elderly lady somewhere around her 75th to 80th year, it so happens that she has arrived at a point where she has decided that she could better use the cash she believes the stamps are worth rather than to continue to put more from her meagre funds into more stamps. The collection was shipped to our office for advice and appraisal since we volunteered our services as we have often done for others with regards to stamps they have wished to dispose of. We have no idea when this good woman began collecting stamps. We have no idea how much she may have spent on the stamps she has and we have no idea whether she has any sound ideas to what investment she may have in her stamps. It would appear how-

**George W. Linn** ever that she feels that she has a collection that is worth say, \$500 to \$1000. Whether she bases this estimate on what she may have spent or whether she bases the estimate on catalogue value is something we do not know anything about.

It is entirely possible that she is entirely wrong as to how much she thinks she has invested in the stamps and that she may base her hopes of realization on catalogue valuations.

Anhow, the collection was a sad disappointment to us. It is mounted in several loose leaf ring binder albums. The United States occupy two of the books and there are probably half a dozen of foreign stamps.

In order to be as brief as possible, let me say that I estimated that a dealer should be able to pay her \$125 for the U.S. and I suggested \$50 for the entire lot of foreign and at that I think it would be hard to find many who would pay the latter price.

The reason is very simple. For the U.S. we find that although there are a lot of stamps that catalogue up to as much as \$10 or even \$20 each in some instances, such a heavy percentage of the entire lot of better stamps are terribly poor copies. There is to start with a pen marked and faded 5c 1847 with margins clipped away or cut into on all sides. Others of the 1851-56 issue are torn, trimmed close, heavily canceled. The 1869 are complete except the 30c and 90c and not a stamp in the lot that is even a very good copy. Most are faded, badly centered, torn.

When she gets up to the more modern issues she has the cheap stamp in good condition, her higher priced values are not good. Lincoln, Alaska-Yukon, Hudson-Fulton imperfs with no margins.

In modern issues the mounting is poor, little regard to centering in her blocks etc. and all in all a mess. In addition, the books are filled with cut postal cards, envelopes, anything else that looks like a stamp and such material as no real collector wants.

As for the early material as we have described it, we do not know where or why people get hold of such stuff. We do know that there is a ready market for poor or slightly defective stamps, but why, if people buy such stuff do they ever think it is worth over a few cents per copy. On the other hand, are we wrong in this matter and are there dealers who prey on people of this sort and sell them this kind of "crap" with the suggestion that it is worth buying and at prices far beyond its true value.

We can only feel sorry for this good lady. We realize at ones' advanced age that they may have overestimated their own investment, yet this whole lot and the correspondence we have had leaves us with the belief that someone has been ill advised or if properly advised has failed to follow the advice.

As for the foreign, there is little in the lot that would interest any dealer. True, there are numerous earlier stamps of some catalog value, but too often, poor copies. Careful combing might realize on the lot if some dealer paid as much as \$50 for it, but we doubt if many would do so. The album pages were stuck full of cheap stamps of all kinds, nothing like a set of mint Br. Colonies from 1/2d to 1 shilling values in the entire lot, but many sets of spurious or questionable pretty looking pictures that are so often found in children's collections. Fie on the dealers who palm off such stuff on anyone.

It is a distressing incident to run up against something of this nature. If there are stamp dealers who make a business of selling to such people we hope that they still have a mother whom they will stop and think of for a few minutes and consider what they would think if someone cheated her out of her few remaining dollars.

On the other hand, maybe we are wrong again, maybe this good lady was well advised, maybe she thought she knew what she wanted to do and did it. Its a hard Problem to solve, one that we can only think about and wonder. Certainly we never again want to have the pain of being obliged to tell an elderly person what we have been obliged to tell this good woman.

For her, it was disappointment, she says she will simply pile them away in the attic and hereafter instead of suggesting to her friends that they collect stamps for an investment she will devote her time to telling them not to spend money on stamps.

Do you people who cater to and sell to these kind of people realize what a tremendous influence for the advancement of our hobby might come from straightforward dealing, what good advice might have meant for this good old lady. I know stamps are a safe investment for I know what and how to buy and keep my material, those without that knowledge should not look upon their stamps as an investment.

## DEAD LETTER AUCTION OF STAMPS IN WASHINGTON

## LINN'S WEEKLY FOLLOWS THE FLAG

A list of 180 lots of stamps and coins either lost or confiscated in the mails is to be sold at Washington on March 27th. The descriptions are such that no one not present could expect to make a bid with any degree of accuracy, so it looks like a field day for those who are fortunate enough to be able to attend the sale and examine the material. It is a pity that this material could not have been properly listed and described so that collectors all over the country could have bid with some degree of intelligence.

We quote the following paragraph from a letter from Mr. August Dietz of Richmond, Va.—"I am sure you will be pleased to learn that today we received an order for the Dietz Confederate States Catalog and Hand-Book from Capt. J. W. Thom, MC., od Spencer, Indiana, now in the Mariannas Islands."

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—L. Monosson

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—John Ross  
NEW ZEALAND—Postage. The 1½d. of the present issue has appeared in scarlet.

NIUE—Postage. The 4d. has been noted watermarked N. Z. Star multiple.

N. Y. Sun  
RUSSIA—Commemorative Sheet. To commemorate the siege of Leningrad and the lifting of that siege the Russian Government has released a souvenir sheet containing four 30k. stamps, which, along with the inscriptions, are printed in a dark green. To the left of the stamp design appears the medal awarded heroes of the Leningrad siege, while in the right is a view of the Neva River and the Naval Academy. Across the top of the block is the date "January 27, 1944," and at the inscription "The City of Leningrad has been totally liberated from enemy siege." This sheet was sold at four times the nominal face value.

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Krylov. Stamps show Krylov and have several books in the lower left hand corner. Values



are 30k light brown and 1R blue.

—C. H. Hunt

## MINIATURE SHEET ON COVER

After printing the picture of a suggested miniature sheet of the 1c Defense stamps some few weeks ago we now have a cover from Charles P. Jones of Cranford, N. J., that just about tops anything we have seen for a novel idea. Charles has taken a sheet of ½c Presidents and used the four corners and intervening stamps to paste up a sheet of nine on a cover and mail it to us. Its a daisy and makes a very nice appearance, plate number, electric eye marks and all. Might really be a splendid suggestion for a miniature sheet for some of our Philatelic Society Conventions when the P. O. D. gets that way again.

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**THE GREAT "I"**—On March 1 which happens to be my birthday, by the way, Linn's Weekly came out featuring a cartoon on page one drawn by Cpl. Dicken C. Conner of the Air Force, wherein the good corporal is depicted as being shot out of his boots for having disparaged one of G.W.L.'s editorials. Standing back of Ye Ed is a tall, thin, gent with a full head of hair, a set of whiskers, a pot belly and a pair of pants that haven't been pressed since they were purchased. Ye Ed commented that it was being printed because it was a good picture of me and you folks would enjoy it.

In case any of you think Case looks like that character I want you to know that your favorite columnist (I'm writing this to my mother, and I'm her favorite no matter) definitely is the antithesis (look it up—I did) of this drawing. In the first place this character has a full head of hair while I am now at the point where even Gabriel Heatter (ahh yes, there's good news tonight) and his Kreml, won't help me. The artist has switched figures, for Ye Ed is the thin man, while I am slightly bulging, with my own ego. Other inaccuracies to be found are Corp. C. in a pair of Texas boots with spurs—and in an Air Corp uniform, Ye Ed as an accurate gunman when all he has ever hunted has been rare stamps, a large receptacle for chewin' tobacco, when everyone knows my boss goes in for nothing stronger than Sen Sen.

But to get back to me, and I don't know why we should. I have been drawn as a sloppy character when everyone who knows me knows I look like something that just stepped out of Esquire. I mean the Sept. 1924 edition. I don't smoke cigars and when I get blads I shave. But the greatest inaccuracy of all is Case being depicted as saying "Nice ventilation chief" which is only a three word sentence, and anyone knowing me knows that a three word sentence out of me is like Hitler writing a love note to Churchill. To my many fans (that means my wife AND my mother) I'd like you to know that I have my suit pressed regularly and I eat often enough to be a well filled out boy.

Actually I'm a little too modest to give an accurate description of myself because I understand Linn's is read at the Hollywood studios of Paramount, M.G.M., 20th Century Fox and others, and besides I have no intentions of taking a job as a standin' for Boris Karloff. I'll just tell you that fellas like Clark Gable, Joseph Cotten and others have nothing to worry about. Actually I'm just a young fellow trying to get along, and besides I'm 4 K in the draft. 4-K. That means that if there should be an invasion of the U.S. we go to the interior of the country ahead of mothers and babies. I play a sensational game of gin rummy when Mrs. Linn is not around to distract my attention, like Chocolate ice cream and Pall Malls and anywhere from fifty to one hundred fan letters a week, and I dare you to send the P.M.'s and the fan mail. Over and above that, I'm not too horrible to look at, if you're wearing smoked glasses, and my recent illness which caused me to lose 25 pounds has given me a suave figure. Suave—that's French for "he zigs where he should zag and zags where he should zig."

Over and above that I'm not a bit put out at Cpl. Conner for drawing me as his imagination dictated, and if he will personally shoot half-dozen Japs and dedicate them to me I'll forgive him. I'll forgive him anyway, because personally I'm pretty nuts about any guy in the uniform of Uncle Sam. Anytime he gets back on

## Commemorating Siege of Leningrad

27/1/1944 ГОДА



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This souvenir sheet of Russia was issued to commemorate the lifting of the siege of Leningrad. For further details see Stamp Parade.

furlough and gets around where I am, I'd be glad to take him out for a steak dinner and what goes with it. Steak dinner—that shows you what an imagination I have and gives you an idea of how easy it is for me to write my weekly stint. Stint—that's a newspaper phrase meaning, "Hey, Linn, where's my salary?". I'm not sore at Ye Ed for telling you I look that way, because he is so blinded with the beauty of Sidney, Ohio (the garden spot of America) that every time I show up in town he can't see me for dust. That's what the town is covered with—dust. My last word on the subject is that I think this cartoon should be sent to Harry Weiss to be added to his chamber of horrors.

P.S.—That was only my second to the last word. My last word is, if anyone sends Pall Malls, Mr. Editor, be SURE you forward them to me.

Barney Rocka from the Falk Corp., a veteran philatelist, is chairman of the show committee. He is being assisted by men from various plants.

The Boston Store, which maintains a department for stamp collectors, is co-operating wholeheartedly with the Council venture. The store is encouraging attendance through its newspaper advertising and is offering its recently finished eighth floor for the exhibit.

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Local and near-local dealers, as hitherto, are having tables or booths.

Come for an evening, a day, or for every session, as you choose—and meet your precancel friends. The Cornish Arms is right at the 23rd Street station of the 8th Avenue Subway, and only a block from the 23rd Street station of the West Side Interborough Subway, and two blocks from the 23rd Street Hudson Tubes station. Bring your swapping stock, your want lists, and what have you.

Those who have not yet taken booths and desire to do so, or want other information, should inquire of the secretary of the New York Precancel Stamp Club, Mr. Philip F. Robbins, 1730 Andrews Ave., New York 53, N. Y.

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wartime duties, and will be even more than that this year. Material for "Stamps for the Wounded" will be received (and asked for) at this Roundup. So bring your stamps for the wounded with you, and turn them in so they may be of use to these veterans.

### The State Revenoover

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ALABAMA. Additional values of the "Network" Tobacco decals are at hand; 2c baby blue and 2½c orange.

GEORGIA. Network design decals have appeared in the Cigar and Beer stamps of this state. "Cigar (or Beer) Tax" at top, "Georgia" at bottom, value in circle toward upper right and State seal toward lower left, Cook's signature in panel at right of seal, balance filled in with attractive network design; 14x14mm. Cigar: 5c brown, 10c red, 15c violet. Beer: 2c salmon, 5 1/3c turquoise. All on green safety card except the 5 1/3c which is on white safety card. All panes are black roulette 6½ horizontal and clear roulette 6½ vertically.

INDIANA. The new design in Intangible stamps, for 1945, has appeared. It is very much like the 1943 set but "Indiana" is now in a straight line and "1945" is split above a smaller State seal. All enclosed in an odd shaped panel, with vertical lines filling out the design to the shape of a rectangle. 5c green, 10c yellow tan, 15c carmine and 25c royal blue seem to date. Imprinted "American Bank Note Litho".

LOUISIANA. The ½c Soft Drink decal has finally been reordered and delivered for the State's stock, as has, also, the 10c value. The ½c is blue grey and the 10c magenta; both on green safety card, in the familiar circular design.

A new value has also appeared in this same design. It is a 1 7/8c stamp in brown on yellow safety card.

MARYLAND. New sets of the Wine and Liquor stamps have been in use for some time, without being detected by collectors. The design is the same, but the pantograph background has been changed from very fine grey dots (almost invisible on the Liquor stamps) to much larger one giving a basket-weave effect.

The 1/16 gal Liquor stamp appeared in red and vermillion with the fine dots, and orange with the large dots.

NORTH DAKOTA. The 2c Cigarette decal has appeared in the small "Gopher" design; brown in color.

TENNESSEE. The recent small

Wine and Liquor decal design (rounded 18x12mm rectangle) has so far appeared as follows: Wine: 6c violet "Min"; (-ature), 7c orange "1/5 gal." and 7c orange "4/5 qt.". Liquor: 4 3/8c red, 10c black, 12½c blue, 20c turquoise green and 25c orange.

According to rates etc. the following might be expected to show up: Wine 8 ¾c, 17½c and 35c; Liquor 6 ¼c and 50c. Anyone seen them?

## Floating Post Office In The Detroit River; Some Facts Of Interest

The following article by Hal Curtis in the Detroit Free Press seems to have some information not previously published concerning the Postal Boat that plies the Detroit River for delivery of mail to passing steamers. Mr. Curtis is in error when he states this is the only floating postoffice in the world. Any time we print such a statement we have numerous letters from other points, which refute this claim. However, we are of the opinion that other boats do not operate on the plan of this boat and that the service which it renders make it different from any others reported in good years.

Following is the story as written by Hal Curtis, from a clipping supplied by Almon J. Tripp of Detroit.

William Harbaugh, superintendent of the only floating postoffice in the world, has everything shipshape to start the season of making mail deliveries to interlake freighters.

Weather permitting, Harbaugh will board his boat, the O. H. Mook, the last week in March. From then until ice clogs the Detroit River next winter, he and his crew will keep Detroit's maritime postoffice on a twenty-four-hour schedule.

DURING THE winter months Harbaugh becomes a prosaic landsman, working in the claim department of the Roosevelt Park postal station.

"I'll sure be glad to get back aboard the Mook," Harbaugh said. After 14 seasons on the floating postoffice it seems like home to Harbaugh.

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| 20 Delaware          | .50    |
| 15 D. C.             | .45    |
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| 75 Minn.             | 1.00   |
| 90 Missouri          | 1.00   |
| 15 Mont.             | .75    |
| 30 Nebr.             |        |
| 100 N. J.            |        |
| 100 N. Y. (No NYC)   |        |
| 200 N. Y. (No NYC)   |        |
| 10 N. C.             |        |
| 50 Ohio              |        |
| 200 Ohio             |        |
| 10 Okla.             |        |
| 15 Ore.              |        |
| 50 Penna.            |        |
| 100 Penna.           |        |
| 25 Penna.            |        |
| 25 R. I.             |        |
| 15 S. D.             |        |
| 40 Tex.              |        |
| 25 Virginia          |        |
| 50 Wash.             |        |
| 60 Wisc.             |        |

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Only once in a great while is there an opportunity to present to the precancel fraternity such a glorious collection of commemorative precancels as you will find listed below. All of the stamps are the tough ones to get—there isn't a single Bi-cent or Black Harding in the whole listing! Instead you will find plenty of Walloons, 1919 Victory, Norse-American, etc. In counting the state collections I was rather liberal—duplicates not counted, pairs counted as one, etc. In almost every case you will find more stamps than I listed. Look this list over carefully and send in your order at once—there is only ONE of each of the state collections so you must act quickly. Any collection can be returned for full refund if you are not satisfied.

| No. of       | State Stamps   | Skeleton Description | Price |
|--------------|--|----------------------|-------|
| Alabama 12   | 3 Walloons, 3 Parks, etc.  | \$2.50               |       |
| Arizona 4    | No more need be said!  | 2.00                 |       |
| Arkansas 12  | 5 Parks  | 2.00                 |       |
| Calif. 52    | Olympics, Parks, Walloons  | 8.00                 |       |
| Colo. 18     | Norse American, Lex-Concord  | 3.50                 |       |
| Conn. 23     | Olympics, Parks, etc.  | 3.50                 |       |
| Florida 52   | Army and Navy, etc.  | 10.00                |       |
| Georgia 30   | Almost a collection in itself—7 copies of 1919 Victory; Parks, Walloons, very nice | 20.00                |       |
| Idaho 8      | You got any?   | 3.00                 |       |
| Illinois 236 | Many not counted!  | 23.50                |       |
| Indiana 82   | Walloons, Red Cross  | 15.00                |       |
| Iowa 146     | 47 Famous Americans, 18 Walloons, Edisons, White Plains, Valley Forge, etc.        | 30.00                |       |

| No. of       | State Stamps                                       | Skeleton Description | Price |
|--------------|--|----------------------|-------|
| Kansas 21    | 3 Walloons, 4 NRA; only 3 stamps from Kansas City. | 3.50                 |       |
| Kentucky 10  | Lake Placid, Parks, etc.                           | 3.00                 |       |
| Louisiana 10 | NRA, Chicago                                       | 2.00                 |       |
| Maine 4      | 2c Walloon from Old Orchard, etc.                  | 1.25                 |       |
| Maryland 36  | Parks, Army & Navy, etc.                           | 6.00                 |       |
| Mass. 78     | Parks, Famous Americans, Kosciusko, etc.           | 13.50                |       |
| Minn. 44     | Norse-American, Valley e. Sesquicentennial, etc.   | 7.50                 |       |
| Mich. 34     | Only one from Detroit and that's a 1919 Victory.   | 1.00                 |       |
| Miss. 3      | Norse American, Olympic and a Sesquicentennial.    | 1.00                 |       |
| Mo. 70       | Vermonts, White Plains,                            |                      |       |

| No. of   | State Stamps   | Skeleton Description | Price |
|----------|--|----------------------|-------|
| Nebr. 26 | Only one Omaha, 3 Walloons, 2 1919 Victories, 10 Olympics, etc.                                | 6.00                 |       |
| N. H. 26 | Kosciusko, Olympics—a tough state  | 6.00                 |       |
| N. J. 86 | Famous Americans, Olympics, Kosciusko, etc.  | 14.00                |       |
| N. Y. 75 | Absolutely no N. Y. City, Buffalo, Rochester, Brooklyn, etc. Has Parks, Famous Americans, etc. | 9.00                 |       |
| N. C. 46 | Olympics, Lake Placid, Red Cross, fine assortment  | 11.00                |       |
| Ohio 125 | Pilgrims, Walloons, 22-3c Olympics, 9-3c Olympics, Parks, etc. Very nice lot indeed            | 30.00                |       |

| No. of      | State Stamps   | Skeleton Description | Price |
|-------------|--|----------------------|-------|
| Oklahoma 35 | Parks, G. R. Clark, NRA, Chicago                       | 6.50                 |       |
| Penna. 180  | Very generous amount—many not counted                  | 17.50                |       |
| S. Dak. 25  | 4 Diff. Norse Americans!                               | 5.00                 |       |
| Tenn. 27    | Olympics, Army & Navy                                  | 5.00                 |       |
| Texas 25    | Mother's Day Ericsson, etc.                            | 4.00                 |       |
| Vermont 21  | A nice bunch from a tough state                        | 5.50                 |       |
| Virginia 36 | 13 Walloons, 4 Sesqui., etc.                           | 7.00                 |       |
| Wash. 8     | 4 Olympics   | 1.50                 |       |
| Wisc. 95    | Ericsson, Olympic, etc.                                | 16.00                |       |
| Wyoming 6   | No more description is necessary!                      | 1.50                 |       |
| W. Va. 15   | Parks, Walloons, etc.                                  | 2.75                 |       |
| Nebraska 1  | Controls—nice assortment of a relatively scarce stamp. | 33.25                |       |

The stamps below are singles except where marked \*. Any stamp may be returned for immediate refund if you are not satisfied.

The only thing to remember is that in some cases the supply is limited so on early order is indicated.

| State             | Town                  | Type                          | Comm. | Price |
|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Ala. Anniston     | U-120                 | on 3c Parks                   | \$.50 |       |
| Ark. Hot Sp. Park | U-83                  | on Ark.                       | .15   |       |
| Van Buren*        | type 1                | 2c Pilgrim                    | .75   |       |
| Van Buren*        | type 1                | 1c Pilgrim                    | .75   |       |
| Van Buren*        | type 1                | 1c Parks                      | .75   |       |
| Anaheim           | U-120                 | Mother's Day                  | .15   |       |
| Buena Park        | U-121                 | 1c Parks                      | .15   |       |
| Buena Park        | U-121                 | Conn.                         | .15   |       |
| Conn.             | type 1                | 1c Chicago                    | .15   |       |
| Berkeley*         | U-31                  | 5c Olympic                    | 1.00  |       |
| Burbank           | U-75                  | Valley Forge                  | .25   |       |
| Anaheim           | U-120                 | 1c Parks                      | .15   |       |
| Anaheim           | U-120                 | 1c Chicago                    | .15   |       |
| Anaheim           | U-120                 | 1c Wisc.                      | .75   |       |
| Anaheim*          | U-120                 | 1c Wisc.                      | .75   |       |
| Ventura           | U-73                  | Valley Forge                  | .25   |       |
| Canaan            | 1919 Victory          | .50                           |       |       |
| Naugatuck         | U-12                  | 5c Olympic                    | .25   |       |
| Clayton           | variety               | no period                     |       |       |
| Atlanta           | type 1                | 1c Pilgrim                    | .20   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 1                | 1c Parks                      | .20   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 5                | 1919 Victory down             | .25   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 5                | 1919 Victory inverted         | .40   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 5                | 1919 Victory dbl.: one normal | .75   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 5                | 1919 Victory dbl., one normal | .75   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 13               | Georgia                       | .20   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 4                | Valley Forge                  | .15   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 4                | Vermon                        | .30   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 11               | Fallen Timbers                | .25   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 11               | Ohio Canal                    | .25   |       |
| Atlanta           | type 11               | Sullivan                      | .25   |       |
| Chickamauga*      | U-121                 | San Diego                     | .75   |       |
| East Point        | U-53                  | 1c Parks                      | .15   |       |
| Caldwell          | U-87                  | 1c Navy                       | .20   |       |
| U-87              | 1c Army               | .20                           |       |       |
| U-87              | 3c Army               | .20                           |       |       |
| U-87              | 5c Army               | .25                           |       |       |
| U-87              | 1c Army               | .25                           |       |       |
| U-87              | 1c Navy               | .20                           |       |       |
| U-87              | 1c Parks              | .20                           |       |       |
| Bloomington       | U-3 up                | 1c Chicago                    | .15   |       |
| Bloomington       | U-3 down              | 1c Chicago                    | .15   |       |
| Bloomington       | U-3 inv.              | 1c Georgia                    | .15   |       |
| Bloomington       | U-3                   | 1c Parks                      | .20   |       |
| * U-3             | one centerline # four |                               |       |       |
| Centralia         |                       |                               |       |       |



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Baltimore, Ohio

#### Wichita Bureau

The Wichita Bureau item reported a few weeks back, outside of my columns, is at least the third of such type items so far reported. We previously reported the other two almost a year ago as we remember it. The first was a 1c 1926-38 issue from Boston which was reported by Mr. Carl Sachs and the other a 2c Presidential from Chicago reported by the Garden City Stamp Co of Chicago. We have never asked Hoover Bros. why but a check-up on the latest edition of the Bureau Print Catalog. (28th) does not mention the existence of such varieties. We hope to have a statement on this matter in the near future. Keep tuned to this Column. **Revenues.**

There are some precancelled Revenue stamps. They fall into two classes. The commonest type has the name of the Firm that used them with perhaps a date, they are on the order of our present day dateds. The Battleship Revenues of the "98" period are

## New Stamps For Your Album



From Silom Horwitz of Harrisburg, Pa., comes this set of five large picture stamps, presumably so he says, stamps issued by Italy for occupation of Greece. Nothing more is known about them and even this information may be inaccurate. The stamps picture pastoral and folk scenes and are quite attractive, the first being in purple, the second in green, the third is brown, the fourth orange and the latter one a blue green.

good examples of what I mean. There are a few collectors of these and they have a picnic, or had till all U. S. went up. Many of the precancellations are printed and some are in color and on the

beautiful shades of that issue are really something to look at. There also were some precancels on later Revenues, down through World War I. Most of these were on those Black Proprietary stamps and are not very attractive. They too are of the Company, dated kind. But in the Documentaries of this period we find some regular City Types on these issues. If you remember there was a small tax on each Parcel Post package for a period of time and to pay that tax Documentary

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| 622 | .60    | 712 | .14    | 752 | .18    | 821 | .40    |
| 688 | .30    | 713 | .28    | 754 | .35    | 822 | .40    |
| 689 | .20    | 715 | .10    | 755 | .35    | 824 | .55    |
| 692 | .18    | 716 | .12    | 796 | .22    | 827 | .75    |
| 694 | .20    | 717 | .12    | 809 | .12    | 828 | .80    |
| 695 | .18    | 719 | .16    | 812 | .15    | 829 | .18    |
| 697 | .35    | 724 | .15    | 813 | .12    | 830 | .45    |
| 702 | .15    | 726 | .14    | 816 | .24    | 836 | .18    |
| 703 | .20    | 736 | .15    | 817 | .22    | 837 | .18    |
| 706 | .15    | 738 | .15    | 818 | .30    | 894 | .15    |

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stamps were used. Some of these were precancelled with the same type as the regular postage stamps and although not varieties are nevertheless quite scarce. So if you come across a 1914 issue pink documentary with a precancellation don't pass it up as a prank played by some nutty collector, it might be a genuine precancel.

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Dutch Indies B30-31 Mint \$ .60  
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#### FESTIVAL #14

Some very good mint Semi Postals:  
Romania B77-81 \$ .70  
Netherlands B90-93 .75  
Romania B66-68 1.50  
Netherlands B103-7 .80  
Netherlands B134-38 .40

#### FESTIVAL #15

Some nice used Netherlands Semis:  
B33-36 \$ .80  
B41-43 .90  
B62-65 1.25  
B108-12 .40

#### FESTIVAL #16

Some nice mint Jugoslavia:  
B84-87 Various portraits of children \$1.25  
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Belgium has some very nice semis too. Mint.  
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234 5c Columbian .30 .40

237 10c Columbian .30 .40

285 Trans-Mississippi 1c .16 \$ .40

285 Trans-Mississippi 1c S. E. .25 .35

286 Trans-Mississippi 2c .08 .35

287 Trans-Mississippi 4c S. E. 1.00 .10

288 Trans-Mississippi 8c S. E. 1.00 .10

294 Pan American 1c .12 .30

294 Pan American 1c Spec-del. Imperf. .50 .50

Mint Used Mini Blks.4 .03 .35

296 Pan American 4c .70 .75

297 Pan American 5c 1.10 1.10

298 Pan American 8c S. E. 1.50

Thursday, March 22, 1945

**NOVIA SCOTIA**

NOVA SCOTIA entered the long list of stamp issuing countries in the year 1851 with but three denominations—the 3d, 6d, and 1/- On each of these appears the Royal Crown and the Heraldic Flowers of the United Kingdom. These stamps resemble the "Pence" issue of its Sister Colony, New Brunswick, with the exception that the Mayflower has been added. The colours adopted were 3d blue, 6d green, 1/- purple. They were engraved and printed by the well-known London firm of Perkins Bacon and Co., and represents the stamp-engraver's art at its highest.

The following quantities were issued—

3d ..... 1,000,000  
6d ..... 500,000  
1/- ..... 250,000

Like the stamps of New Brunswick, these were printed on thick paper of a bluish tint, shades exist in the depth of the blue tint as also in the depth of the colour used for printing. The 3d ranges from a medium to a full deep blue, the 6d is found in yellow and dark green and the 1/-, as is usual with purple stamps, has quite a range of shades, of which the cold violet is the rarest. The gum adopted in this issue was of a dark brown colour.

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appearance. The design was a portrait of Queen Victoria beautifully carried out and printed in a deep red brown—like its predecessors this stamp is the work of Messrs. Perins Bacon and Co. and was printed on a similar paper.

Bisecting had its day in this Province as in most of the others. Such rates as 4½d and 7½d could only be prepaid by the use of existing stamps by having recourse to scissors, and covers with these combinations are among the classics of the British North American group. In most of these bisected varieties the halves are cut diagonally and the vertical bisect is but rarely seen.

The following is a list of some of the known combinations:

1/10½d—Made with three 6d and one and one half of 3d.  
9d—Made with 6d and one half of 6d.  
7½d—Made with half of 1/- and half of 3d.  
7½d—Made with 6d and half of 3d.  
7½d—Made with 6d and quarter of 6d.  
7½d—Made with two 3d and half of 3d.  
6d—Made with half of 1/-.  
4½d—Made with 3d and half of 3d.  
3d—Made with quarter of 1/-.  
3d—Made with half of 6d.

Collectors should be careful in purchasing covers showing these rare combinations, as the art of the faker has been lavishly expended in manufacturing bogus combinations. The system generally favoured by these philatelic vultures is to procure a stamp that will exactly fit the cancellation on an existing envelope, this is carefully bisected, stuck upon a very ordinary cover and sold to the unsuspecting collector as a very "rare avis" indeed.

With these fakes, skill is so highly developed that it is always wise to consult some recognized authority before adding the specimen offered to one's collection, this advice is equally good if applied to bisects of any country.

In 1859 the English system of £ s. d. gave place to dollars and cents which necessitated the issuing of a complete new set of stamps, this consisted of the following values, 1c, 2c, 5, 8½c, 10c and 12½c, which were coloured black, violet, blue, green, vermillion, and black, respectively. This issue was engraved and printed by the American Bank Note Company of New York in sheets of 100 and were put on sale in the month of October, 1860.

This issue is particularly attractive, for the 1c, 2c and 5c values a profile portrait of the Queen was adopted and on the 8½c, 10c and 12½c a full face portrait of her Majesty appeared. The words "Nova Scotia" were engraved at the top and the values at the bottom. On each of the four margins the engravers have placed their imprint. As usually favoured by this firm, the perforation gauge is 12. Of the 1c stamp, one sheet is known imperforate vertically.

Both yellowish and bluish white wove paper were used for this issue, collectors generally content themselves with a set on one or other paper without resorting to duplication.

The bisecting habit lasted in this colony as in some of the others long after it was really a necessity, and while this issue was not officially sanctioned in a bisected state, the use of such divided specimens nevertheless continued and passed without question. The following is a check list of the known combination which were mostly of a diagonal character:

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10c.  
13c—Made with 12½c and ½ of 1c.  
13c—Made with 10c, 2c and ½ of 2c.  
12½c—Made with 10, 2c and ½ of 1c.  
12½c—Made with two 5c and ½ of 5c.  
10c—Made with 8½c, 1c and ½ of 1c.  
5c—Made with ½ of 10c.  
5c—Made with two 2c and ½ of 2c.

Nova Scotia entered Confederation in 1868 when the "Large Cent" issue of the Dominion was in use.

—EMCO Monthly Journal.

**VOX POP**

Dear Mr. Linn.

There seem to be breakers ahead; and we must lay our course. Of course I am but one small dealer, yet, I hope I can reason, clearly.

This is due to the arrival of Scott's Mo. Journal for January. (at long last) last night.

POP! goes the cork and VICHY water floods! In the old days Vichy meant, to most people, some denatured canal water plus a lot of gas in a cute little bottle that cost us in 1920 35c. When you drank, it was supposed to be good for the epizootic.

To start the New Year wrong the January issue of S. M. J. (owned by Scott St. & Coin Co.) shows 14 pages (count 'em) (isn't paper supposed to be valuable?) of Vichy prints never postally used, we are told, with a catalog number assigned to each item. (Who assigns catalog numbers?)

All data is by Mrs. Clark (wife of THE Hugh Clark) and we are assured, by inference, all these are not issues of enemy countries. (Read two paragraphs under Mrs. Clark's name)

These Vichy emissions (a good name, doc!) are all dated 1944—now 1944 had 365 days and for many of those days Adolph YOU-KNOW-WHO used Vichy for his footwiper and also a very great source of revenue. When, exactly, were these gaseous emissions printed? WHY? They were never sent to the Fr. Colonies, we are told, or, if they were, in a dirty bundle probably wrapped in newspaper, generally used for another purpose.

How can anyone assign such emissions any recognition whatsoever in that monument to American Philately, that volume which claims to be the American Encyclopedia of Philately? May Mr. Scott rest in his grave!

But let us be reasonable; of course, some one must have them for sale! Dealers here have been selling other Adolph paper so probably some leaked into the canisters of New Yawk!

Will Vol. III of the 1946 edition of SCOTT'S be entitled: "VICHY"?

After all with the stench of the KOREA fiasco lingering in our nostrils we can expect anything. In that case granted a very poor job of botchy printing the Korea stamp is still worth but a dime, retail.

But, VICHY?

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**URGES STAMP FOR GALLANT MARINES**

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told by a reprint of the column by James Waldo Fawcett in the Washington Star of March 11th. In the same paper of March 12,

the Editor of the Star gives approval of this suggestion through his editorial columns.

You collectors who approve of such an issue, and who doesn't? can add your weight to this argument by addressing an appeal direct to the Postmaster General at Washington. Certainly our gallant men and women who are fighting this battle for us are worthy of this recognition. Let there be a set of stamps honoring all branches of our services.

Following is the appeal by Senator O'Mahoney as printed in the Washington Star.

By James Waldo Fawcett

Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming, former First Assistant Postmaster General, has proposed that the photograph of the raising of the Star Spangled Banner on Mount Suribachi has prompted me to write to the Associated Press suggesting that the photograph be formally dedicated to the United States Marines, and to the Postmaster General suggesting that it be used as the central design of a special stamp commemorating the achievements and sacrifices of the gallant soldiers under your command.

Concerning the photograph as such, the Senator wrote to Kent Cooper, executive director of the Associated Press:

"The raising of the flag on Mount Suribachi is a photograph that should never be forgotten. No war report or communiqué, no speech or statement that has been written or spoken since Pearl Harbor and certainly no news picture is to be compared with it in dramatic appeal. It is a memorial to the men in whose blood our victory is being written. It is a reminder of the ideals for which we fight."

"Old Glory is floating from the summit of Mount Suribachi where it was planted by the Marines. May it be a prophecy that the freedom and justice for which it stands shall speedily be extended to all peoples and all nations!"

"I feel that the Associated Press is to be congratulated for having given this photograph to the world. I write to thank you and the photographer who made it, to ask if I may have an original print and to suggest that the Associated Press formally dedicate it to the United States Marines who won the victory that made the photograph possible."

Mr. O'Mahoney next addressed Postmaster General Frank C. Walker in a letter reading:

"I am sure, like everybody else in the country, you were mightily impressed by the Associated Press photograph of the raising of the flag on Mount Suribachi. This was not only a great news picture, but a moving appeal to the patriotic instincts of every citizen."

"I am inclosing a copy of a letter I have written to Kent Cooper of the Associated Press in New York and a copy of the story of the photographer who made the picture, the latter having been furnished me by Paul Miller of the AP Bureau here in Washington. My purpose in writing to you now is to suggest that out of recognition of the heroic performance of

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the Marines in the Pacific war and as a memorial to their valor and sacrifice, the Post Office Department issue a commemorative stamp, with this photograph as the central design.

"I have long thought that a special stamp should be issued to honor each branch of the service. Now that the opportunity is presented to portray in such dramatic manner the victory on Iwo Jima, I hope that you may feel inclined to sponsor the issue."

The Senator likewise sent to Lt. Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift, commandant of the Marine Corps, the following communication:

"The dramatic and deeply moving Associated Press photograph of the raising of the flag on Suribachi has prompted me to write to the Associated Press suggesting that the photograph be formally dedicated to the United States Marines, and to the Postmaster General suggesting that it be used as the central design of a special stamp commemorating the achievements and sacrifices of the gallant soldiers under your command."

"I can add nothing to what I have said in these two letters except to assure you that I know the whole country is inexpressibly proud of the United States Marine Corps."

All three letters were dated yesterday. They are published in this space because they are authentic footnotes of the philatelic history of present times.

Joe Rosenthal, an Associated Press photographer working for the photographic pool on Iwo Jima, was the camera artist who made the original picture, radioed by the Navy from Guam to San Francisco. The men shown in the act of raising the flag on the crest of the extinct volcano are Marines of Company E, 2d Battalion, 28th Regiment, 5th Division, one of whom has been identified as Platoon Sergeant Ernest Ivy Thomas of Tallahassee, Fla.

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